

Neutrality Laws.

As the neutrality laws of Great Britain stand, or hitherto stood, the Government had no power to interfere with the building of a ship of war for a belligerent Power. Her equipment and despatch alone constituted an infringement of the law, alone constituted an offence of which the Executive could take cognizance, or in respect of which they could interpose any check. The utter utility of such a provision must be sufficiently manifest. An Alabama may be constructed in every ship-yard in the United Kingdom,—on the Thames or the Tyne, the Mersey or the Clyde, with special knowledge of her warlike intent and destination. Her every line may be laid with special regard to speed and fitness for her predatory work upon the high seas; she may be built to carry a certain number of guns of a particular calibre, and to outrange and outstrip her rival of the opposing fleet. All this may be known to the authorities, to the public of Great Britain, to the world, just as well as if the ship had already sailed and engaged in her work of destruction; but unless the equipment of the vessel has actually commenced, unless the guns and other warlike appliances are being placed in position, or she can be caught on the wing, as it were, the authorities have no power or right whatever to interpose, the State cannot adopt either preventive or punitive measures. Thus it was that the Alabama made good her escape at a most critical and unfortunate moment; and thus it was that the Court of Exchequer refused to support the action of the Government in ordering the arrest of the Alexandra. Notwithstanding the by no means unnatural outcry made against Great Britain by our Cousins over the line, for not having interfered to stop the Alabama while yet she was within the easy grasp of the authorities, the question arises: Would the United States have acted otherwise, had the case been their own? The United States Marshal might have been more expert in arresting the progress of the evil bird on the wing; but that their own laws, would not have permitted them to interfere one moment earlier is undeniable. In this respect their laws are no better than those of Great Britain. It is quite natural that the people of the United States should have felt hurt about the escape of the Alabama; but they have had time to cool down, and they ought to reflect, and remember that had the war been one to which our own nation was a party, and they, themselves, neutral, and had the Alabama been built with like intent in their own ship-yard, their own course of action could not have been essentially different, although it might possibly have been rather more successful. Indeed the Fenian movement furnishes a case in point. Taking the Fenian army to represent the Alabama, why did not the United States authorities interfere before the Fenians marched over the border? That army was recruited, drilled, armed and equipped openly and in broad day, under the very nose of the Government, and with the open and express object of infringing international law; with this avowed intent, they passed through the country and were marched to the border; and it was not till they had invaded the territory of a peaceful and unoffending neighbor and were driven back by its brave sons that the United States authorities interposed. And why? Simply because they had to abide the breach of international law, which appears not to have been in the recruiting, drilling, arming, and equipping, or even in a march across the border, but in an overt act of violence. All this was very trying and very expensive to Canada, equally as much so, comparatively speaking, as the Alabama affair proved to the larger country; yet we are told the authorities acted up to the law. Well, so did the authorities of Great Britain. But the law, in both, is defective, vicious in its operations and consequences. Under it the Alabama was enabled to escape and do so much mischief—destroy an enormous amount of property, and make no end of mischief between two Great Powers which, of all the Powers on earth, ought to live at peace. Under it the Fenians have twice escaped into Canada, only, however, to retreat in greater haste than they advanced, but still to do very great mischief and put an inoffensive neighbor to very heavy expense in guarding its frontier. In so far as the neutrality relations of Great Britain and the United States are concerned neither would appear to have much reason to upbraid the other. But it is something to be able to say that Great Britain has been the foremost to apply a legislative remedy. A Bill was introduced into the British Parliament on the 1st August last, and has doubtless ere this become law, the object of which is to prevent a recurrence of such cases as that of the Alabama. Under this Bill the Secretary of State will have the power of seizing any suspicious ship by his warrant, and the local authorities also are empowered to stop a vessel which they may have reason for believing to be on the point of

escaping with an improper object in view. As was stated by Sir Robert Collier, the provisions of the new law 'go beyond any statute law passed in any country for the purpose of enforcing neutrality.' And it is fitting that Great Britain should be in advance of other nations in this respect. Certainly she has suffered enough on account of a defective law and by the greed with which a contraband trade has been at times pursued, to justify her in being foremost to provide more complete safeguards against acts which threaten to compromise her chosen and dignified position of impartiality. What nation will be the first to follow the noble example set by Great Britain? Shall it be the United States?

The Pope in England.

The announcement that the Pope is being conveyed to England in a British frigate can surprise no one. Taking advantage of the present war and the consequent withdrawal of French troops, Italy has reasserted its supremacy over Rome and the Eternal City has ceased to be a desirable seat or even a safe refuge for that remarkable man who has for so many years wielded the double sceptre of temporal and spiritual supremacy. Not the least notable feature of the time will be the fact that, deserted by Catholic France and compelled to flee from Catholic Italy, Pope Pío Nono sought in Protestant England a more fitting and secure asylum than could be found in any other country. And the Pope will be alike free from danger and insult in England. His pretence of temporal power no longer placing him in a false position, he will be enabled to exercise his spiritual functions with a degree of liberty that might be denied him in some countries making louder pretensions to freedom. A good, sound, constitutional monarchy, like that of Great Britain, after all, the best and most substantial form of government. It gives equal liberty with greater stability and security for life and property. The idea of Ireland as a more suitable residence for the Pope may possibly suggest itself to some. But in Ireland His Holiness might be supposed to occupy a more provincial position, one less befitting the head of the Catholic world. Should the Pope establish himself in England, and there receive that respect and protection which cannot fail to be extended to him, it would be difficult to overestimate the influence such a condition must exert over the Catholic mind of Ireland. It would be more potent than sheaves of Irish Church or Land Bills by way of reconciling recalcitrant Erin.

Dominion Mail Somerary.

Our Canadian exchanges are to the 26th ultimo. We offer the following condensed summary: The Rev. Mr. Herring, Incumbent of Clerkenwell, London, who has done so much to promote emigration to Canada, arrived at Ottawa on the 25th. The chief object of his visit is to report upon the condition of the emigrants sent out by the various Societies and organizations in London. The result may have an important bearing upon future emigration movements. The military expedition to Red River was reported as making favorable progress, and likely to reach Fort Garry in a few days. Unprecedentedly destructive fires had devastated several country districts in Canada. The country around Ottawa had especially suffered, to the extent of a million and a half dollars. It was estimated. Over two thousand persons had been burned out in the valley of the Ottawa. The people of Ottawa were behaving nobly, having organized an influential Relief Committee, and in one day subscribing upwards of four thousand dollars. Every effort was being made to meet every case of distress, although in very many instances the farmers had more or less insured. Heavy rains had, happily, arrested the progress of these fires. Preparations were being made for the Provincial Exhibition of Ontario, to be held this year at Toronto on the 3d of October. His Excellency Sir John Young, and Sir George Carter returned to Ottawa on the 22nd. Mr. Friday, sometime editor of the Canada Scotman, at Toronto, and Scottish American, at New York, recently committed suicide at Halifax, N. S. The St. John crew were training steadily for the great Lachine race. They were going over a six mile course three times a day, and it was asserted that in their new boat they can beat any time previously made by them. The celebrated Tyne crew had arrived in Canada. Governor Hill, Hon. E. D. Shea, and Sir Hugh Hoyle had arrived from Newfoundland. The Dominion Rifle Meeting was to come off at Fredericton, N. B., on the 29th of August, and for which great preparations were being made. The Hon. R. P. Haythorne, President of the Executive Council of Prince Edward Island, has expressed himself favorable to Confederation on improved terms. The French Canadian Institute at Ottawa, adopted the following resolutions: 'That the French Canadians heartily sympathize with France in the present war with Prussia, and trust that she will meet with the success which the bravery of her troops entitles her to. That a committee be immediately formed to collect money in aid of the wounded.' The Illinois Press excursion party were at Montreal. They visited Victoria Bridge in a special train, accompanied by a distinguished party, including the Mayor. In the evening they went to Vigier Garden, which was beautifully lighted up, and the Rife Brigade Band playing. The party expressed themselves as being greatly pleased with what they saw. The Dominion Privy Council were in session at Ottawa, and were disposing of the work which had accumulated during the absence from the Capital of the Ministers.

REMEMBER THE FATE OF ABELON.—Fred Payne, Tonsorial Artist. Shaving 12¢ cents Hair Cutting 25¢ cents, Shampooing 25¢ cents, That Original Cheap Shaving Shop stands on the sunny side of Johnson street.

New Advertisements.

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Public Meeting.

A PUBLIC MEETING OF THE INHABITANTS OF ESQUIMAULT will be held in the School-room THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, at 7.30, in order to take steps for the opening of a Public School. Victoria, Sept 13, 1870. a14

Agricultural and Horticultural Society.

TENDERS FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF THE Liquor Bar, also for the Refreshment Stand at the Exhibition, to be held on the 28th and 29th insts, at the Show Ground, Cook Street, will be received by the undersigned on or before the 16th inst. J. CHESTNEY BALES, Sec'y of Managing Committee. a13

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September 12, 1870.

Agricultural and Horticultural Society.

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WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, THE 28TH AND 29TH INST.

The Exhibition will be open to the public at 1 p.m. on Wednesday and at 9 a.m. on the following day.

Live Stock may be withdrawn at the close of the Exhibition on Friday.

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A FARMER'S DINNER.

On Wednesday Evening, and on Thursday evening

A Ball

Will be held at Alhambra Hall, Dancing to commence at 8 p.m.

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MR. EDWIN DONALD HOLDS MY Power of Attorney during my absence from the Colony. THOMAS TROUNCES. Victoria, V.I., August 13, 1870 a14

MR. HELMCKEN

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Card to the Public.

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